

IN THE CLAIMS:

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5. (original) A hard disk drive, comprising:
an enclosure;

a motor mounted to the enclosure, the motor having a shaft, a hub with a central bore, a plurality of fastener openings formed on a bolt circle diameter, an outer circumference at a perimeter of the hub, and a bearing assembly that is located radially between the shaft and the hub in the central bore of the hub, the bearing assembly having a bearing sleeve that defines an outer wall;

a disk clamp having a central opening and a plurality of apertures extending through the disk clamp at the bolt circle diameter, the central opening defining an inner wall, the disk clamp being concentrically aligned with and attached to the motor by engagement between the inner wall of the disk clamp and the outer wall of the bearing sleeve, such that the disk clamp is closely received by and seats on the bearing assembly in the hub;

a disk for information storage and retrieval mounted to the hub for rotation therewith, the disk being secured to the hub with the disk clamp; and

an actuator assembly mounted to the enclosure for movement relative to the enclosure and the disk, the actuator having a head gimbal assembly with a head for reading data from and writing data to the disk.

6. (original) The hard disk drive of claim 5, wherein the bolt circle diameter is radially outboard of the central bore of the hub, the outer circumference of the hub is radially outboard of

the bolt circle diameter, and the disk clamp has an outer clamp circumference at a perimeter of the disk clamp.

7. (original) The hard disk drive of claim 5, wherein the outer wall of the bearing sleeve protrudes axially from the central opening beyond an axial end of the hub.

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12. (original) A method of concentrically aligning and attaching a disk clamp to a motor in a hard disk drive, the method comprising:

(a) providing a motor with a hub, a shaft located in a bore of the hub, and a bearing assembly located between the shaft and the bore of the hub, the bearing assembly defining an outer wall;

(b) mounting a disk to the hub;

(b) placing a disk clamp on the hub to retain the disk on the hub, the disk clamp having a central opening that defines an inner wall;

(c) aligning the central opening in the disk clamp with the bearing assembly in the hub, such that the disk clamp is centered on the hub by engaging the inner wall of the disk clamp with the outer wall of the bearing assembly; and

(d) closely receiving and seating the inner wall of the disk clamp on the outer wall on the bearing assembly to form a disk pack assembly.

13. (original) The method of claim 12, wherein step (a) comprises axially extending the outer wall of the bearing assembly beyond an axial end of the hub.